

**Newsletter**

**Autumn 2**

**2018**



**Carol Singing at Hanslope Primary School**

On Tuesday 18th December, families are invited to join staff and children for communal carol singing on the playground outside KS2. This event will start at 3.30pm and last for approximately 30 minutes. All children must be accompanied by an adult for the duration of the event. Afterwards we shall be offering refreshments in Willow Class. Please come and join us and enjoy some Christmas cheer.

**KS1 Nativity Performances**

It is the time of year when our Christmas productions are almost upon us. I would just like to share some of the arrangements with you. Our KS1 performances will be on Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th December. Both performances will be strictly ticketed and only valid tickets for that performance will be accepted. We will be opening the wooden gate (by my office), at 9am, the audience will be able to occupy their seats at this point. This is to allow parents to wait for the performance to begin in the warmth of the school and to avoid people having to go home for a short period after dropping off their child. Both performances will begin as close to 9:30am as possible, as you can imagine getting nearly 80 children in costume and ready is quite a hard task!

No drinks will be allowed into the hall before or during the performances because of the risk of spillages and children slipping. However, F.O.H.S. will be selling refreshments after both of the performances in Linford Hall.

**KS2 Christmas Play at St James.**

Our KS2 performance is on Tuesday 18th December. The church door will be opened at 9:30am to minimise waiting out in the cold. The whole school will be walking down to the church and the performance itself will not begin until 10am.

If you bring a warm drink to the church, please make sure you take your empty cups away with you. Our children and some kind parental helpers had to clear up a lot of mess last year left by the audience.

**Children in Need**

Many thanks to all of you that helped raise £466 for Children in Need last Friday. I believe this is the highest total we have ever raised in a single day. We hope you didn’t mind so many teddies and soft toys coming home!

**Sports Competition Kit**

Miss Smith is trying to arrange a new sports competition kit that our children can wear when competing against other schools in Milton Keynes. We wondered if any parent has a company or has a connection to a company that would be willing to sponsor a new kit for us. Naturally we will in turn have the company logo/name on the kit and act as a good way of advertising. If you are interested or know anybody that could possibly help, please contact Miss Smith.

**Book Fair**

Once again we have arranged for Scholastic to bring the Book Fair. It will be in school between Thursday 6th December and Monday 10th December. On Thursday and Friday from 3.20pm until 4.00pm, children and parents/carers are welcome to come and browse / purchase books.

On Monday 10th December from 5.00pm until 6.00pm we will open for parents only to come and possibly buy books that your child may like for Christmas. This year, the books will be stored in Sycamore (by Rowan Class in KS2) access will be via the white sliding doors in KS2 as normal.

**Christmas Jumper Day**

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We are going to celebrate the national Christmas Jumper Day organised by Save the Children on the last day of term**, Friday 21st December**. All pupils are welcome to dress up in Christmas jumpers and donate any spare change into our collection for Save the Children.

**Diary Dates**

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Thurs 6th – Mon 10th December - Scholastic Book Fair in School

Mon 10th December - Parents only Book Fair Session

Tues11th and Wed 12th December - KS1 Nativity

Tues 18th December (am) - KS2 Christmas Production at St. James

Tues 18th December (pm) -KS1 and KS2 Christmas Parties

Tuesday 18th December (3:30) -Family Communal Carol Singing

Wed 19th December - Children’s Christmas Lunch

Fri 21st December -Last Day of Term –Finish at 3:15pm

Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 7th January - Spring Term begins.

***Please note all the dates and times shown here are accurate at the time of the publication of this newsletter. Any unforeseen event may happen that could cause alterations to the information listed below; if this does occur we will endeavour to let you know as quickly as possible.***

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